## GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE MAYOR



Mayor's Committee on Persons with Disabilities

Dear Supporters, Colleagues and Friends,

The Mayor's Committee on Persons with Disabilities (MCPD) of Washington, DC is pleased to announce our *Annual Awards Ceremony and Reception*, 11:00am-2:00pm, Thursday, October 19, 2006, Mayor's Press Briefing Room, in the John Wilson Building, 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW.

October is *National Disability Employment Awareness* month and the MCPD Annual Awards Ceremony will recognize and honor local volunteers and individuals, as well as national leaders within the disability community. Nominees are recognized for their activities that educate, empower and advance opportunities on behalf of persons with disabilities.

Nominations for awards are presented annually in the following categories:

- **Joy Evans Outstanding Achievement Award**-must be a District resident who has demonstrated courage in *overcoming a disabling condition* and whose life provides motivation, determination and positive change in the lives of persons with disabilities.
- Andrew Wood Advocacy Award-who has made significant contributions to serving
  persons with disabilities through advocacy. These identified improvements must
  impact the lives of citizens with disabilities in the District of Columbia and may
  include advocacy and/or the championing of legislation.
- **Employer of the Year Award**-is presented to a *company or organization* in the Metropolitan area who has demonstrated an outstanding employment record of training or hiring persons with disabilities.
- Beatrice Campbell Community Services Award-organizations or businesses in the
  District of Columbia that demonstrate *outstanding community and volunteer service*and whose practices have facilitated technological advancements for persons with
  disabilities.

The Mayor's Committee invites you and/or your organization to submit nominations for each of the listed categories. Nominations should be prepared to submit a narrative with justifications, based on the enclosed criteria. Entries in each category should be no more than one typewritten page.

Please submit all nominations by Friday, October 13, 2006 to Mayor's Committee on Persons with Disabilities, 810 First Street, NE, Suite 10015, Washington, DC, 20002. If additional information is needed, please feel free to contact Ms. Rhonda Stewart, Executive Director at (202) 442-8464.